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Rev. A. Fisher, late of Swansea, has accepted the unanimous invitation of this body to become their pastor, and has already entered upon his labors among them. We congratulate this faithful church in securing the services of one so well qualified by study and experience for the pastoral office. May the Lord make him abundantly successful in raising the standard of the cross in South Milford, and may this little one soon become a thousand.—Com.

LAYING OF A CORNER STONE.

The corner stone of the Union Baptist Chapel, on Merrimack street, was laid on Tuesday morning last, at half-past 10 o'clock. The exercises were commenced by singing a hymn; after which the contents of the book were read, and an address made by Rev. Mr. Howe, pastor of the church; prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Neale; after singing the Doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Neale. The following is a list of the articles deposited under the corner stone.

A silver plate presented by A. H. Lewis, contained the following inscription:—This edifice, intended for the worship of God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, was erected for the Union Baptist Society, by the voluntary subscriptions of members of the various Baptist societies in Boston. The church was constituted Feb. 21, 1845, consisting of 19 members; it now numbers 32. This corner-stone was laid on the 21st of April, 1846.

WILLIAM HOWE, Pastor.
Deacons—E. W. Perkins, S. Taylor.
Treasurer—G. W. Chipman.
Clerk—H. B. Hickey.
Building Committee—S. G. Shipley, J. Brown, S. Gould, L. Goodnow, E. Plummer, J. W. Converse, R. White, Thos. Richardson, G. W. Chipman, Architect—G. W. Gray. Contractors—C. Stowell & Co., Bowers & Ham.

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News reached this city a few days since, that Mr. Slidell, our Minister to Mexico, had demanded his pass-ports and left that country—this morning intelligence has been received that he has arrived at Mobile in Alabama. This is regarded as an immediate precursor of war—nor is Mexico the only power with whom we are in danger of having a speedy collision. A cloud bigger than a man's hand is rising in the West.

Yours.

Miscellaneous.

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION IN MICHIGAN.—From the Christian Herald, of Detroit, we learn through a circular signed by Rev. J. A. B. Stone, that it is proposed to establish a Theological Department in the Kalamazoo Institute, of which he is the able Principal. The design is, to furnish, if necessary, in connection with this Institute, such facilities as are not, or cannot be so well furnished elsewhere, and are adapted to the wants and circumstances of those who may choose to avail themselves of such advantages.

To assist in supporting indigent students pursuing literary and theological studies with a view of usefulness in Zion.

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The Family Circle.

O, the sweet atmosphere of home! how bright
The sunbeams gleam, and how the flowers
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Lines.

Written on the death of Mr. Alfred Orms, and addressed
to his young and afflicted widow.
They tell me that death has dark shadow cast,
O'er thy hope of the future, thy dream of the past!
That the loved and the cherished no fond hand could
Ere, But the friend of thy bosom has gone to the grave.
And the bright beam of joy that has shined thy brow,
When the future looked blooming, has fled from thee now;
But hope will return, and the vision so bright
Again will illumine thy sorrowful night.
For an angel of mercy hath beckoned away
The hope that thy fond heart would cherish a day;
The spirit is winged, and it struggles to o'er,
The victor is crowned, and the conflict is o'er.
He has gone to the land of the pure and the blest;
He will meet there a sister from sorrow at rest;
He will meet there a mother, the friend of thy youth,
Who first taught him the lessons of virtue and truth.
He will kind the loved ones who mourn for him now,
Of the kind hand that wiped the cold sweat from his brow.
He will whisper in joy, could ye hear what he said,
O, mothers for the mourner, but not for the dead!
The God of the father will cherish the son,
Though young of life's pathway the storm has begun;
And the fair, gentle ones that dwell in his smile,
Will surely preserve them from sorrow and guile.
And sweet his presence will cheer thy young heart,
And darkness and doubt from thy soul shall depart;
For the kind, precious promise the Saviour hath given,
Will be through this life and direct thee to heaven.
Amen, March 28.

The Grand Duke and the Jew.

The following singular story, which was
current among the English residents in St.
Petersburg at the coronation of the present
Emperor of Russia, has been narrated to us
by a person newly arrived from that part of
the continent.
In the early part of the year 1826, an English
gentleman, from Antwerp in the Crimea, having
occasionally resided in France on business of importance, directed his course
by way of Warsaw in Poland. About an
hour after his arrival in that city, he quitted the
tavern in which he had been taking a re-
freshment, to take a walk through the streets.
While sauntering in front of one of the public
buildings, he was attracted by the appearance of a
grave aspect, and courteous demeanor.
After mutual exchange of civilities they got
into conversation, during which, with the
characteristic frankness of an Englishman,
he told the stranger who he was, where from,
and whether he was going. The other, in the
most friendly manner, invited him to share
the hospitable repast of the table, and at such
time as he found it convenient to resume his
journey—adding, with a smile, that it was
not improbable that he might visit the Crim-
ean invasion, and he was con-
ducted to a splendid mansion, elegant with-
out and commodious within.
Unbounded liberality on the part of the Pole,
produced confidence on the part of the Eng-
lishman. The latter had a small box of
jewels of great value, which he had carried
about with him from the time of his leaving
home—having, with mingled feelings of
horror, astonishment and despair, he walked
he requested his munificent host to deposit it in
a place of security till he should be ready to
go away. At the expiration of three days he
prepared for his departure, and in asking for
his box, how was he amazed when the old
gentleman, with a complacent exhibiting the
most surprising repulse,
"What box?"
"Why, the small box of jewels which I
gave to you to keep for me."
"My dear sir, you must surely be mistaken;
I never, really saw or heard of such a box."
The Englishman, with a look of
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Children's Corner.

The Silver Dollar.

A TRUE STORY.

Emma and Charlie were busily engaged
in excavating a bush out of their mamma's
garden. So intent were they at their task,
that they heeded not their mother's voice
calling them to beware and not chop their
little fingers off by the sharp hatchet. Per-
haps it was wrong for them to have so dan-
gerous an instrument, yet, as they were very
careful children, they were permitted to have
many things, which would have been injuri-
ous to others. They worked on unceasing-
ly, as fast as they could, with their little
hatchet and spade, until one pull brought
the pretty rose bush out of the ground.
"Oh!" exclaimed Emma, "how delighted
we shall be when this is in bloom in our
own garden." As she said this, Charlie took
the bush, and ran as fast as his little feet
could carry him towards the chosen spot,
and laid it carefully down.

When he returned, Emma said, "now we
will fill this pit with some of the rich earth,
for mother said it would be good to put
around the root when we planted it." They
found in the soil a great many worms, which
they did not want to put into the pit, so
they began to take them out, one by one,
and throw them into another place.

"Look! look! Emma, and see how pretty
these little worms are! Now they are as
a bunch that he held in his hand; "how
cunning they are; how good God is to make
them so that they will not hurt any one."

"So he is," said Emma, "and he made all
the pretty butterflies, and ants and spiders
and all these other things. Now they are
so good, God for making every thing so
good—all the pretty flowers and every thing
else!"

"Oh yes," answered Charlie, "and I never
mean to be afraid of them, because God
made them. Don't you remember mamma
told us that no animal would hurt us if we
were good?"

Here their attention was diverted, for Em-
ma had espied something white glittering in
the ground. "Do look! do look!" cried she,
holding up a bright piece of money. Now,
they did not know the value of the money,
but thought it a new coin.

"Oh how pretty! how pretty!" exclaimed
Charlie, "now we have found the money."
"So we will," said Emma, and taking her
brother's hand, they ran fast enough towards
the confectionary, leaving the garden appar-
atus pell-mell, caring for nothing but the
desired sweets.

As they entered the store, Emma said to
Charlie, "you ask for the money's worth of
candy."

"I don't know how to ask," said Charlie;
then, turning his timid face toward the keep-
er, he said, "do you want to buy the money's
worth of candy?"

"No, my little boy," answered the man,
"I will sell you some candy. But your
mother gave you this money, or where did
you get it?"

"No, sir, mamma does not know any
thing about it. We digged it out of the
ground, and as it was only but a cent we
came to buy some candy."

"This is a hundred cents—it is a silver
dollar, my little lad; and you may carry
it six cents worth, and you may carry the
rest of the money to your mamma."

Emma now began to feel that she had
done wrong in not showing it first to her
mother; but she eased her conscience by the
thought, that she would carry the candy and
money home, and tell her mamma all about
it.

This was certainly right. Emma and
Charlie were scarcely known to disobey;
they were very conscientious, that is, they
loved to do right. As they entered the house
their mamma was upon the stair-case, and
looked surprised, to see the new money
at work in the garden. Emma and Charlie
immediately ran to her, both exclaiming, "do
see mamma what we have!"

After examining the contents of the pa-
pers, Mrs. G. said, "why, my dear child-
ren, you found a large cent in the ground,"
said Charlie, "and the confectioner gave us
all this for it."

"Perhaps, my dear, the money did not be-
long to you, some person may have dropped
it, and in that case, you should have kept it
until the owner was found, or at least sought
after."

"Oh, no!" replied Charlie, "it does not
belong to any one, for we found it a great
way under ground."

"I am very sorry I did not show it to you
first, mamma," said Emma, "I think I did
wrong, but I brought it all home just as the
man gave it to me. I hope you will forgive
me, but I was so much surprised, that I did
not know what to do."

"I love my little daughter for her sincer-
ity. You both have my hearty forgiveness,
and my approbation, too, for not tasting the
candy, or spending the rest of the money.
I shall therefore, divide the prize between
you; the candy you can eat, but what you
will give to the poor."

"Oh, mamma," exclaimed Emma, "if you
will give us the money, I know, we shall put
it into the Sabbath school money box."

"Yes," said Charlie, his dark eyes bright-
ening with pleasure, "so we will, and then
it will go away off, over the water, to the
little heathen children, who cannot read,
and do not know any thing about the Bible."

Mrs. G. was delighted to see her child-
ren so happy in giving their money to the
heaven. "It is," said she, "doing as God
requires of you."

Emma and Charlie now went out happy
in their mother's approbation, and busily en-
gaged themselves in planting the rose
bush, and neatly preparing their little garden
for flowers.

MARY.

Moralist and Miscellaneous.

Our Army in Texas.

The Portsmouth Journal has a letter from
a soldier of the army in Texas, addressed to
a clergyman of that town. As describing
scenes in the midst of which the writer is
placed, and in which every American is in-
terested, we give it an insertion in our col-
umns.

Strange rumors have, for the last few days,
been afloat in our camp; the 'route' toward
the Rio Grande has been ordered; munitions
of war have been rapidly collected, and all
both officers and men, expect nothing less
than an almost immediate collision with the
Mexican army now collecting just beyond
the Rio Grande, barely 150 miles distant
from our present encampment. At present
we are located upon that part of the great
plain of San Antonio called Mesquite Point,
a small peninsula which extends into the La-
guna del Madre, immediately west of the
mouth of Nueces river, and is joined to the
land at Corpus Christi, by an isthmus barely
fifty feet broad. The 'point' is five miles
long, by an average breadth of two. From
end to end our troops encamped, one
company wide or deep, regiment upon reg-
iment—brigade upon brigade, forming one
narrow line of canvas tents covering
a mighty army of intelligent
men, and a host of
stipulations, to de-

fund the lives and property of a country of
renegades, liars, thieves, murderers—fugitives
from justice; with, doubtless, some
good men—enough to save the country from
utter worthlessness, perhaps enough to act
as a little leaven in the meal.

We are daily practised in our terrible
trade of destroying human life. The prompt
trials of the living man, the prompt
maneuvering, the saving rally, and the dan-
delling charge, continually shake the plain,
while the glittering pageant of our wheeling
squadrons, the excitement of rapid move-
ments, the thousand thrilling incidents of an
army in the field, make us almost forget the
end of so many and such various prepara-
tions. But the quiet, the calm, the peace of
our mind the broken heart of the widow, the
unavailing tears of parents, sisters, and
friends. Alas, that war should be a trade!
that might should make right! and that the
unhallowed ambition of a few should have
the power to disturb the peace of the world;

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